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DR. K. B. MENON :—" Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House the schemes that are sanctioned in the Five-Year Plan, the number of schemes, the details and the amount sanctioned? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" The schemes are mentioned in the Five-Year Plan, and if the hon. Member wants a copy, it will be supplied to him. All the schemes will be found in it."

DR. T. S. SOUNDARAM RAMACHANDRAN :—" In view of the fact that Sankarankoil taluk is one of the worst famine-stricken taluks in Tirunelveli district, will the Government give priority to the scheme as has been done in other famine areas? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" That also will be considered, Sir."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" Arising out of the answer to the supplementary question of my hon. Friend Sri Kosalram, may I ask the Hon. Minister if it is the policy of the Government that wherever ryots come forward to finance schemes, then only the Government should take up irrigation schemes? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" I never told the hon. Member or this House that the Government will consider schemes only when the ryots come forward with contribution. The hon. Member asked me: 'Supposing the ryots come forward with a contribution of Rs. 50 lakhs will the Government give any priority to the scheme' and my reply was that the proposal will be considered."

SRI D. LAKSHMAYYA :—" పంచవర్ష ప్రణాళికలో ఒక ప్రాజెక్టును చేర్చుటకు షరతులేమో చెబుతారా? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" పంచవర్ష ప్రణాళికలో ఇదివరకే ఎస్టిమేట్లు తయారుచేయబడి పని జరుగుచున్నటువంటి స్కీములు చేర్చబడినవి; తక్కిన స్కీములు చేర్చబడలేదు."

Veterinary College.

* 194 Q.—SRI K. RAJAGOPALA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many students are admitted into the degree course of Veterinary College, Madras, in the academic year of 1952;

(b) how many seats are allotted for the current year; and

(c) how many students were admitted in the years 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1952?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" (a) The selection of students for admission to the B.V.Sc. Degree Course at the Madras Veterinary College during 1952-53, has not yet been made.

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"(*b*) 80 seats have been allotted during 1952-53.

"(*c*) The number of students admitted during the five academic years from 1947-48 are given below:—

Academic year.	Number admitted.
1947–48	100
1948–49	99
1949–50	80
1950–51	80
1951–52	75"

SRI K. RAJAGOPALA RAO:—"May I know if there are . . ."

MR. SPEAKER:—"Let the hon. Member come nearer and put the question; as I told the House, the mikes are not working properly."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—"The mike seems to be working but the signals are not working."

MR. SPEAKER:—"The electrician told me this morning that they were not working."

SRI K. RAJAGOPALA RAO:—"May I know whether there are applicants or not; if so, what are the grounds for a reduction in the number of seats in the degree courses year after year, especially this year?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—"I believe there are enough applicants for all the seats provided in the Veterinary college. Ever since 1949-50, it has been found that we could accommodate only 80 students with all the conveniences required for carrying out laboratory work. The reason why in 1951-52 only 75 students were admitted and not 80 is this. Five seats were set apart as usual for foreign students, but by the time we got information from the Government of India that no foreign student was forthcoming for admission into the College, it was too late."

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY NAYAGAR:—"May I know, Sir, how many seats are allotted to the backward classes, and whether all these seats were filled up by them, and whether the Government will give them additional stipendiary help so as to make them self-sufficient?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—"Sir, 25 per cent of the seats available for men students will be reserved for socially and educationally backward classes."

SRI C. H. KANARAN:—"May I know, Sir, why the number is decreasing year after year?"

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY NAYAGAR:—"The second part of my question has not been answered, Sir."

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MR. SPEAKER:—" The hon. Member may give notice of a fresh question."

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" I have already answered the hon. Member Sri Kanaran's question completely."

SRI R. KRISHNAN:—" With reference to the answer to clauses (a) and (b), may I know, Sir, how many are Harijans?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" Usually, 15 per cent of the seats are set apart for Harijans and I am sorry I cannot tell the hon. Member how many of them were availed of by those students."

10 50 a.m. SRI K. SUBBA REDDI:—" May I know how many applications have been rejected, and on what grounds?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" Notice, Sir."

SRI P. SIDDANNA GOWD:—" Will the Government consider the desirability of increasing the strength of the Veterinary College as there is a great demand for Veterinary Assistants in rural areas?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" The accommodation available in the Veterinary College limits the number of students who can be admitted."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM:—" Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that a sufficient number of students are not attracted to join this College as the maximum age limit for candidates is fixed at 22 years, with the result that year after year there is a decrease in the admissions to the College?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" Notice, Sir."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI:—" Will it not be possible for the Government to increase the seats from 75 to 100, which was obtaining in 1947-48 by adopting for instance a kind of 'stage-system' every year? Also, will the Government consider the desirability of filling up the five seats allotted to students from foreign countries by our students if applications are not forthcoming from foreign countries?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" The question of increasing the seats to 100 will be considered. As regards the other question, as a matter of fact, this year the number of seats set apart for students from foreign countries is 6. If applications are not forthcoming from students in foreign countries, I think, we will be able to give these six seats to our students."

SRI P. VENKATASWAMI REDDI:—" Are the seats allotted districtwar or on the basis of merit?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—" It is done on a regional basis."